

# United States Mint America the Beautiful Quarters <sup>™</sup> Program Fact Sheet

#### **Program Overview**

The United States Mint America the Beautiful Quarters Program is a multi-year initiative to honor 56 national sites in each of the 50 states, the District of Columbia and five U.S. territories—Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, United States Virgin Islands and the Northern Mariana Islands. Under this program, five new reverse (tails) designs will appear on the quarter-dollar each year beginning in 2010 and continue through 2021. The quarters will be released sequentially in the order in which the featured site was first established (five each year through 2020, and the final design in 2021). All of the coins are legal tender coinage, issued by the United States Mint and available in general circulation.

This program immediately follows the 2009 District of Columbia and U.S. Territories Quarters Program and the 50 State Quarters<sup>®</sup> Program, which had more than 147 million consumers collecting the coins.

#### **2010 Coins**

The 2010 United States Mint America the Beautiful Quarters will be released in the following order:

- ∞ Hot Springs National Park, Arkansas April 19, 2010
- ∞ Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming June 2010
- ∞ Yosemite National Park, California July 2010
- ∞ Grand Canyon National Park, Arizona September 2010
- ∞ Mount Hood National Forest, Oregon November 2010

The complete site register is available online at www.americathebeautifulquarters.gov.

#### **Coin Designs**

The United States Mint America the Beautiful Quarters Program designs are displayed on the reverse (tails) of the quarters, while the obverse (heads) bears the familiar image of George Washington, restored to its original 1932 beauty.

#### Site and Design Selection

The sites and designs were developed through a consultative process involving the governor or chief executive of each host jurisdiction, the U.S. Department of the Interior, U.S. Commission of Fine Arts and Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee, with final approval by the Department of the Treasury.

## **Coin Specifications**

- ∞ standard weight = 5.670 grams
- ∞ standard diameter = 0.955 inches (24.26 mm)
- ∞ thickness = 1.75 mm
- ∞ edge = reeded
- ∞ composition = cupro-nickel clad (8.33 percent nickel, balance copper)

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The America the Beautiful Quarters will be minted at the United States Mint at Philadelphia, United States Mint at Denver and United States Mint at San Francisco (proof coins).

#### **Collecting the America the Beautiful Quarters**

The United States Mint is currently offering nine (9) different subscription options, which is the most convenient way to collect a complete set. Customers who sign up for these products will receive them automatically as they go on sale and may cancel at any time. The available options include:

$\infty$	2010 America the Beautiful Quarters Proof Set <sup>™</sup> (5-coin)	- \$14.95
	2010 America the Beautiful Quarters Silver Proof Set <sup>™</sup> (5-coin)	- \$32.95
	America the Beautiful Quarters Two-Roll Set	- \$32.95
$\infty$	America the Beautiful Quarters 100-Coin Bag (P)	- \$35.95
$\infty$	America the Beautiful Quarters 100-Coin Bag (D)	- \$35.95
$\infty$	America the Beautiful Quarters 100-Coin Bags (P & D)	- \$71.90
	2010 United States Mint Proof Set® (14-coin)	- \$31.95
	2010 United States Mint Silver Proof Set <sup>™</sup> (14-coin)	- \$56.95
	2010 United States Mint Uncirculated Coin Set® (28-coin)	- \$31.95

## United States Mint America the Beautiful Silver Bullion Coin<sup>™</sup> Program

The United States Mint will also mint and make available for sale silver bullion quarter-dollar coins that are duplicates of the United States Mint America the Beautiful Quarters. The bullion coins will be made of 5 ounces of .999 fine silver and have a diameter of three inches.

### Learning through the America the Beautiful Quarters

The America the Beautiful Quarters Program will also feature a brand new lesson plan format with a series of interactive educational tools for students in kindergarten through high school. The plans integrate technology in support of new National Education Technology Standards policy considerations and meet national standards.

For more information on the America the Beautiful Quarters Program, visit www.americathebeautfulquarters.gov.